

**Mission Bay Landfill
Technical Advisory Committee
City Administration Building
12th Floor Conference Room B
March 21, 2003
10:00 to 12:00**

Meeting Minutes

TAC Members Present

Donna Frye
Bruce Reznick
Brian McDaniel
Ben Leaf
Hiram Sarabia

Michael Zucchet
Rebecca Lafreniere
Robert Curtis
Frank Gormlie

Jeoffrey Gordon, M.D., MPH
Judy Swink
Chuck Budinger
David Kennedy, DDS

TAC Members Absent

Ann de Peyster, Ph.D.

Dave Huntley, Ph.D.

Interested Parties

Jace Miller

William Imus

Staff

Steven Fontana
Ray Purtee

Chris Gonaver
Nicole Capretz

Beth Murray
Katie Keach

Kelly Broughton

The meeting was called to order by Councilmember Frye. Self introductions were made. Councilmember Frye introduced and welcomed two new members to the TAC. David Kennedy and Bruce Reznick, each gave a brief introduction. Hiram Sarabia was introduced as the alternate for Bruce.

The minutes from the February 14th meeting were unanimously approved.

Councilmember Frye asked for public comment. Judy Swink distributed copies of Dr. Gordon's, March 13th letter to the editor in response to the February 27th article in The Peninsula Beacon regarding the resignation of two TAC members. Dr. Gordon commented that he wrote the letter to clarify and comment on the integrity of the TAC and the cooperation provided by City staff. Councilmember Frye made similar comments in support of the TAC.

The objectives for the meeting were reviewed.

Ray Purtee provided a status update of the consultant solicitation process. He stated that documentation for Council action has been prepared and is being reviewed. Ray indicated that

Council approval should take place in about 6 to 8 weeks and that it would take about 4 months for the consultant to prepare the preliminary site assessment. This document will be brought back to the TAC for their review.

Representatives from Sea World were in attendance to present the status of two projects adjacent to the Mission Bay Landfill. Chris Gonaver introduced Patrick Owen with Sea World and reported that City staff from several departments had requested and met with Sea World on March 10th to review the status of these projects. A site visit was also conducted to view the construction site.

Pat described the following 2 projects.

1. Parking Lot expansion – Permit review by the City is underway and Sea World will appear before the Coastal Commission at their April meeting for their permit approval. They expect to start work in May and finish in July.

2. Atlantis Project – Sea World received their grading permits last year and recently received their building permits from the City. They have started their mass excavation and backfill. This project involves excavating trenches (about 20 feet deep) where the foundations for the ride will be placed. The holes are backfilled with engineered fill to achieve compaction which is unobtainable using expansive clays. They are pumping to sewer any groundwater seepage that enters the excavation to keep the hole as dry as possible. Sea World has a permit from Metro to discharge to sewer. The first foundation should be put in place in the next few weeks and they anticipate opening the ride in the Spring 2004.

Copies were distributed for review of the revised preliminary geotechnical investigation prepared by Christian Wheeler, dated May 31, 2002, and the soil and groundwater investigation for the Wild Artic Exhibit, dated August 12, 1996.

There were many questions raised by TAC members regarding the excavation, soil testing, and groundwater/foundation issues. Discussion took place regarding

- Disposition of excavated soils
- Could/should soil sampling have been conducted

After discussion by the TAC, staff from the Environmental Services agreed to work with staff from Development Services to develop an internal process to address development projects in areas adjacent to inactive landfills. Process will include notification of all affected departments and include consideration of soil and/or groundwater during construction.

Rebecca Lafreniere with the Local Enforcement Agency discussed the soil gas monitoring probes to be installed in conjunction with these projects.

Items for next agenda

- Update on the consultant approval process and document review
- Review Christian Wheeler report
- Review Wild Artic report

- Review 2 monitoring well assessment reports
- Chuck Budinger/Ann de Peyster - Thallium
- Follow-up on issues for further study

Future Meetings

- Friday, April 25th, 10:00 to 12:00, 3rd Floor Conference Room B, City Admin. Building
- Friday, May 23rd, 10:00 to 12:00, Conference Room B, City Admin. Building